

STORM BOUND

By LOUISE HOFFMAN.

"Gee! the wind's blowing 60 miles an hour and everything will be drifted full by morning," prophesied John Becklin as he came stamping into the kitchen after feeding the hens. "I thought I'd be blown away once or twice myself. I pity any one caught out in this storm tonight. Heard the 4:20 go up yet, mother?"

Mrs. Becklin, a remarkably trim, young looking woman to be the mother of such a stalwart looking son, was busy setting the table and alternately stirring creamed potatoes on the stove.

"No, John, I haven't heard a sound," she replied in a motherly tone. "But I thought I saw a sleigh with two come around the bend in the road, a while ago. I've been watching every little while, but I haven't seen anything more of it."

She went to the window again. It was just dusk.

"Oh, John!" she exclaimed. "There is some one trying to get through the drifts by the old barn. There, the horse is down."

John Becklin came to the window and peered out into the fast deepening gloom.

"Why, it looks as though there was a woman in the sleigh. Two had they've been caught out in this. But the drifts are soft yet, and maybe they'll pull through. I wonder who they are? They must be strangers, or they wouldn't attempt to drive through that spot."

"Well, the horse is up," announced Mrs. Becklin with relief, "but they are trying to make him go ahead. The next plunge and the poor animal will only go down again. Even if they do manage to get through this bank, they can't go on in this blow. It would be sure death, with night coming on, and it's growing colder every minute. Oh!" she gasped; "there goes the sleigh over. Mercy! I hope that poor woman isn't hurt."

She turned.

"Where are you going, John?" she questioned as he began putting on his things.

"I'm going to take down the bars so that man can come through the field. He was gone, and the mother watched with keen anxiety as he battled against the fierce wind and whirling snow. Once he turned his back to catch his breath. Twice he sank out of sight, but finally succeeded in reaching the two weary travelers.

John directed the strangers through the perilous drifts into the open field and up to their barn, where the hired man took charge of the almost exhausted animal.

Mrs. Becklin ran to the kitchen door and threw it as hospitably wide as the storm would allow to welcome the strangers.

"Come in, come in out of this wind," she invited cheerfully. "You must be nearly frozen."

"Fortunately we both escaped, but such an experience!" returned a sweet young voice, as the man, divested of his furs, came into the living room.

"Myra," he gasped, gazing straight into her clear gray middle-aged eyes. "Is it possible?"

"Wilbur," breathed Mrs. Becklin, scarcely believing her eyes. "I thought you were in the West. And this," she paused gazing at the pretty blue-eyed girl.

"Is my daughter, Una," he said briefly. "And this lad to whom we are indebted for our escape is—"

"My son," returned Myra.

After a moment's silence, "If it were not for the children, we might think time had almost stood still," he murmured.

Over delectable creamed potatoes, sliced pink ham, hot rolls and coffee, Wilbur Norcross told how the urge to come East had been too strong for him. In the fall he had bought a small farm at Fallsburgh. His sister kept house while Una taught school in the old Everett district about five miles distant.

Myra nodded. She had heard about a Norcross family moving into the village.

As the weather looked promising and as it was Friday night he had started out to drive Una home.

For three days the travelers were storm-bound in the mountains. It was impossible to shovel out roads until the wind abated. During this time a friendship and intimacy sprang up, which ripened into something warmer, and when the storm had ceased and the roads were open, Myra and Wilbur told the children the same old ever new story. Years ago they had quarreled because Myra refused to live in the country.

"Such a silly thing," laughed Myra happily, "because I live on a farm now and love it, even to being storm-bound and cut off from civilization."

"We'll make it a delightful blinding for life," added Wilbur.

John looked at Una.

"I guess we have something to confess, too. It's a pretty short courtship but—but Cupid has been flinging his darts around so lively he has struck us squarely, too."

"The second edition, bound for life," murmured Wilbur. Then with boyish enthusiasm: "Let's make it a double wedding."

And so it happened that in a few short weeks the neighbors nodded their heads and joyously announced, "Spring's coming. The young will marry, but the old—they may, sure sign."

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Mrs. Jennie Slavin has taken rooms at the Manse parsonage.

Mr. Jim Rucker of Lexington was with the home folks Sunday.

Mrs. Oscar Boyle who has been ill for some time is able to sit up.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Thompson visited her brother at Berea Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Shepherd were visitors in Berea Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Vina McWhorter has accepted a position in Robert Estridge's store.

Robert Metcalf and Miss Isabel Parson eloped last week and were married.

Mrs. W. D. White and Miss Hester Patrick were in Richmond shopping Saturday.

Mr. O. C. Rucker of Waco and Mr. Shearer were with the formers mother Sunday.

Miss Jessie Mae Hammack and Miss Lane, were in Richmond shopping Saturday.

Miss Annie Sanders of Kirksville was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Elvin Fritts on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Estridge left Tuesday for their future home at Champaign Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. West entertained several young people from Berea College Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Bone of Louisville preached a very interesting sermon Sunday morning at Mt. Tabor.

Mrs. J. R. Davis was called to Richmond Monday on account of the serious illness of her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Hammack and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ralston on Sunday.

Miss Lucy Williams of Richmond has been spending several days with her sister Mrs. Eld Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Anderson accompanied their daughter, Mrs. R. L. Hill and children to Richmond Monday.

Miss Lucy Williams has returned to her home in Richmond after having been with her sister Mrs. Orville Boone, for several days.

Misses Ava McWhorter, Marie Ledford, Celia Hiatt of Richmond and Ollie Jones of Berea were dinner guests Sunday of Miss Anna Todd.

Mrs. C. D. Hamilton of Tucumcari N. M., Mrs. George Thorp and Mrs. O.

C. Rucker of Waco were visitors of Mrs. S. B. Rucker one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Treadway had as their guests for the week end, Misses Nannie Reynolds and Hazel Fanning and Mr. Coleman Reynolds all of E. K. N.

Dr. George A. Hubbell of Lincoln University Tenn., addressed the graduates at Mt. Tabor Sunday night. His address was thoroughly enjoyed by a large congregation.

Blaine Estridge has sold his interest in the Estridge Bros Store to his brother, Robert. They invoked Saturday night and Robert opened up for business Monday morning.

Messrs William Ralston and Morris Todd have purchased a two-third interest in the Treadway and Logsdon store. Mr. Treadway will retire. The name of the new firm will be Logsdon and Co.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hill and children who have been staying with her mother, Mrs. W. O. Anderson the past ten days have gone to Richmond to reside where Mr. Hill has purchased a third interest in the Dixie Garage.

Messrs Earl McWhorter, Dick Davis, A. B. Eskridge, Bennett Reop, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Woods, Jewell Wallace James Mason and Sam Beazley went to Cincinnati Friday returning Saturday A. M., each driving new Chevrolet cars for the Paint Lick Garage.

Mr. George Conn celebrated his 50th birthday Sunday with a big dinner. He had as his guests, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Ledford and children, Mrs. Martha Ely and Miss Kate Wly, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Centers and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Graves and baby.

Announcements have been received by friends of Miss Lilly Henry of San Antonio Texas, of her marriage at that place to Mr. Earl Barnes Gorsuch. This will be of interest to many as she is quite well known here having lived in Garrard and Madison counties until a few years ago. Her friends all wish for her a happy married life.

The American Legion of Post Heidal Sanford No. 35, Lancaster Ky., wishes that all men who served their Country from this county would be a member of this Post. Show your friends that you served them and that you are a 100 per cent American by belonging to the Legion. While your

friends stayed at home in absolute safety, you acted as a man and fought for your Country. Remember ONLY MEN WHO HAVE RECEIVED AN HONORABLE DISCHARGE ARE ELIGIBLE. NO SLACKERS, or DRAFT EVADERS, I. W. W.'s are NOT ELIGIBLE.

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Buena Vista

School News.

Sunday, May 16th, the Baccalaureate services for the Buena Vista High School will be held at the Mt. Olivet Church at 11 A. M. Dr. John Paul of Wilmore will deliver the sermon, with Rev. Young of Nicholasville assisting. Every one is cordially invited.

A program in charge of Mrs. Abner presented by all the grades will be given at the High School Building, Monday evening May 17th, at 8:00 P. M. The proceeds will be for defraying the expenses of the graduating class. We cordially invite all parents and friends to attend. We assure you an evening of pleasure.

The Commencement Exercises will be held at the High School Building Tuesday evening May 18th. The speaker, Dr. E. C. McDougle is one of the best known men not only in Kentucky, but other states as well, having taken his P. H. D. from Clark University, Mass. Parents and friends of the graduates and all friends of the school are cordially invited to attend. This concludes our program for the year and through the RECORD we wish to express our gratitude to all who have so faithfully and loyally befriended the school this year.

A Learned Capital.

Araucan, capital of the Swiss canton of Argovia, possesses one of the hardest working libraries in the world. Though the library consists of only 80,000 volumes—which is not so large as public institutions go in the United States—the population of the capital itself is only 10,000. With eight volumes per inhabitant, the library of Araucan has just cause to boast of itself as a miniature Athens.

Birds That Speak.

Ravens, crows and magpies are all better speakers than parrots. They are not so versatile and the sounds they utter are less varied, but their voices and articulation are far more human. A crow's talk in the room may easily be mistaken for that of a person. Parrots are the best imitators; that is to say, they mimic whistling and other noises, particularly laughing, to admiration. It has been remarked that their voices in speaking are like that of a clever person.

Shellac.

Shellac is the joint product of insects and plants and comes from India. The lac insects are about 1.25 of an inch long, a bright red in color. They suck the juices of plants, digest them and exude them in the form of resin, which soon encases the whole insect. When the young insects have swarmed out, the resin is scraped from the branches, ground, washed, mixed with colophony and orpiment, cooked slowly and drawn out into the thin sheets we know as shellac.

Memoranda in Glass.

A reader tells us that with the use of gum tragacanth, allowing a week for drying, two sheets of glass can be joined with a sheet of paper between them, without the slightest staining of the paper. It is suggested that this provides a new and useful means of making paper weights and other glass articles with calendars, etc., imbedded in them. The gum, while still wet, appears to have stained the paper; but every trace of this disappears as the drying out proceeds.—Scientific American.

The Name Taffy.

The name Taffy is a nickname for the whole Welsh people. The word is simply Davy (David), pronounced with aspiration; Sawney (Alexander) the most common Scotch name; Pat (Patrick) the most common Irish name; and John (John-Bull) the most common English name. Each is used to designate the race or nationality to which it belongs. A similar case is that of Brother Jonathan, once commonly used to designate the people of the United States, but now largely superseded by Uncle Sam.

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Growth.
Married people should try to learn how to grow towards each other. No human thing, marriage least of all, can be allowed to grow untended. It takes pains and thought, as well as unselfishness, to grow good marriages.—Woman's Magazine.

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